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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed December 27, 1999,
please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Claim 10, line 1, delete "8" and insert in lieu thereof

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Claim 11, line 1, delete "8" and insert in lieu thereof

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Please cancel claims 1-7 and 16-20.

Remarks:

Claim 11 was objected to on the grounds that "Onmnemonic" is a trademark. It is not a trademark. See Denning, Adam, ActiveX Controls Inside Out, 2nd Edition, Microsoft Press, p. 110. It is simply a method that may be utilized in a given software programming language. In accordance with convention, it is capitalized, not to indicate that it is a trademark, but because such methods are generally capitalized in this fashion.

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